



# PNEUMATIC BULL

## Windjammers Union Falls Flat On Plan to Open Race Track and Pool Selling in Chicago

Some daily newspapers which are always abusing the mayor and using up type in berating the city administration are said to have a reason for playing up the wonderfully windy scheme to reopen "the sport of Kings" in Chicago.

Perhaps they would like to see more hold-ups here and more young men out of work looking for something easy so that they could shower more abuse on the police.

Some "leading citizens" who favor a horse racing festival here are remarkable for their "leading" qualities. But leading qualities without much money and popular support won't lead very far.

Many people believe that a race track in Chicago with wide open betting means the reopening of Chicago's past race track record of murder, crookedness, robbery and crime.

Read that record and be convinced. Hold-up men are relieving the money situation in Chicago very rapidly as it is.

It is improbable that the race track proposition would be welcomed on account of the great number of hold-up men it would drag here from other cities.

It would glut the hold-up market. But it wouldn't abolish it by any means. It would simply overwork it. Hold-up men always follow the races. They have to in order to practice "the sport of kings" in living off the people.

### ALBERT HITS MAYOR

Twenty-second Ward Alderman Wants "Hell Holes" in His Ward Closed.

Ald. Arthur F. Albert of the 22nd Ward, is quoted as being very much against the city administration pets who permit "hell holes" to run wide open in his ward. He is especially sore on the Rev. Williamson, the mayor's law enforcer.

"I talked to the mayor about these places, which are selling poison and causing an average of a murder a week," Ald. Albert said. "He referred me to the enforcer."

"I gave Rev. Williamson the names and addresses of these places. The next time I saw him I asked him what he had done. He patted me on the back and told me to keep up the good work. I told him that I was not a detective and reminded him that he is getting \$10,000 a year to enforce the laws. I told him he has a glorious chance to labor in my ward."

"I shall see him again at the first opportunity and ask him whether he is going to do any constructive work in his \$10,000 job or confine his efforts to singing the praises of the mayor."

A race track in Chicago would give us a large population of hold-up men.

Voters at the judicial election next Monday will decide whether \$3,400,000 of bonds shall be issued for the completion of the Madison street bridge and the Roosevelt road viaduct and whether certain changes in the Adams street bridge, necessary in connection with the union station program, shall be undertaken.

The bridge bond proposition, together with the proposal that \$2,000,000 worth of bonds be issued for additional electric lights, will appear on a separate ballot, commonly known as the "little ballot."

George Johnson bet \$100 to \$50 the other day that Pete Hoffman will be elected CORONER this year. That's the way the Democrats are betting.

Peter Bartzan is going to be elected State Treasurer.

Talking about the Boozers' Union, over 3,000 alleged violators of the prohibition law are awaiting trial on the dockets of the local federal district court, according to Guy W. Ginders, prohibition field agent. Many of these cases are more than one year old, and

in the opinion of Mr. Ginders, are an apt illustration of the need for the proposed branch of the Municipal Court to handle liquor cases.

The "leading citizens" who are "crying for horse racing in Chicago" are not all hold-up men. But they are going to make more work for the police force if they get their scheme through—which they won't. "Leading citizens"—the Chicago & Alton has carried many "leading citizens" as far as Joliet, in its time—and they didn't come back very soon.

### OUR ROTTEN SCHOOL BOARD

Indictments in the school board scandal are in course of preparation, according to reports in the state's attorney's office.

Assistant State's Attorney Hamilton also announced that a new angle of inquiry had opened up. He declared that the 22 per cent raise in pay the janitors enjoyed last year was reported to him to be swelling the coffers of someone other than the janitors.

"I don't know whether there is any truth in the report," said Attorney Hamilton, "but in line with the thorough inquiry we are making, we will include the report in our investigations."

Several engineers, when quizzed by the state's attorney's office, denied that they ever contributed to a slush fund, but acknowledged contributions to a fund to send a delegation to Springfield to lobby in the interests of the engineers and janitors. This money, they declared, was for the expenses only of the delegation, but reports declare that the fund has assumed enormous proportions.

Teachers holding temporary certificates serving in the night schools will be paid at the minimum rate given for regular teachers in the night schools under the new plan, but, differing from the usual method of procedure, their salary will not be increased from year to year as is done in the case of regular teachers.

About 1,600 teachers will be affected by this ruling.

Besides the judges to be voted for installation of 13,000 new street lights at an estimated cost of \$2,000,000 is planned by the city department of gas and electricity, contingent on approval of the \$2,000,000 street lighting bond issue to be submitted to the voters June 5.

The aldermen want a more attractive city and a move to abolish billboards which are erected in residential districts contrary to ordinance and also on all signs of wood, galvanized iron or steel on the roofs of buildings was launched by a sub-committee of the city council committee on buildings.

Our friend, the Election Commissioner, "Big Bill" Stuart, who is also political editor of the American, made a hit the other day when he poked fun at the non-partisan Coalition judges who were deadlocked on party lines for two months over the choosing of a South Park Commissioner.

"Labor Leader" writes: "Some of the worst blows at business are struck by some former builder bosses who denounce labor and who go into the real estate loan and building business and never pay a debt—whose records may be found in the files of the Municipal Court."

Aleck Revell's chauffeur was fined \$10 for speeding through Wilmette with three governors and a New York lawyer and Mr. Revell as passengers. The boy was not used to such fast company and caught the speed mania temporarily.

A race track in Chicago would kill all legitimate sport in this vicinity for fifty years.

W. A. Rosenfield, chairman of the Illinois Republican state committee, announced at Rock Island appointment of that body as follows: S. S. Tanner, Minier; Morris Eller,

### DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CHAIRMAN TELLS VOTERS OF POSSIBLE SCHEME TO BEAT THE COALITION AND ASKS ALL TO VOTE MONDAY

Be sure and vote at the judicial election on Monday.

The City Hall machine is said to be out to defeat Steffen and Democrats and elect Socialists and Miller.

Don't forget that at Monday's judicial election two full tickets are in the field—the coalition and the Socialist. On the former are the five Democratic sitting judges, whose terms are expiring, and Ald. Walter P. Steffen, Republican. It long has been the boast of the city hall machine that within an hour by telephone it can bring more than 100,000 of its pay roll brigade, ward and precinct workers and their relatives and friends to the polls.

Coalition managers have information that these voters will be instructed to cast their ballots for five Socialist candidates in addition to writing in Miller's name. Martin J. O'Brien, Democratic county chairman, has pointed out that if this is done friends of the coalition candidates who neglect to go to the polls may awake on

Chicago: James J. Barbour, Chicago; Arthur M. Smith, Stockton; Guy R. Jones, Tuscola; George M. Miles, Harrisburg; James A. White, Murphysboro.

The executive committee meets in Chicago June 1.

Robert C. Sherrard has made a most popular postmaster for the Village of Oak Park. We put in the designation "village" designedly because Oak Park with its 42,600 people, and steadily growing, has a larger population than many noted "cities" of the U. S. A. While Oak Park has a large and increasing population it has been sadly neglected by Uncle Sam in the way of a sufficient appropriation for

# FORGET SCHOOLS

## Our Plaster of Paris School Board Fails To Attend Meetings and Children Lose New Books

The fact that sixty thousand dollars was lost by the board of education by its failure to hold a meeting last week became known when Superintendent of Schools Mortenson announced that the supplementary textbook list, which should have been voted on at that meeting, would be increased in price 50 per cent before the next meeting of the board.

The supplementary list, which is to be furnished the schools in lieu of the free textbooks, would have cost \$120,000 at that time.

Under the laws of the state, textbooks must be filed in Springfield on or before June 15 of each year, together with any change of price. The publishers of the books, accordingly,

contain the names of Charles A. McDonald.

William E. Dever, Joseph Sabath, John J. Sullivan.

Martin J. Gridley, on the Democratic column and Walter P. Steffen in the Republican column.

The other ballot will contain the names of candidates for Judge of the Municipal Court. On this ballot the first column will be for the regular republican nominees, Emanuel Eller, Thomas J. Peden and Albert Gualano, candidates for the three six months' vacancies who were nominated in convention. Below will appear the name of Albert E. Beath, who won in the republican primary April 11 for the Fisher vacancy.

The next column will be for the democrats and the only name appearing will be Peter H. Schwaba, who was nominated in the democratic primary for the Fisher vacancy. As part of the coalition deal the democrats did not nominate candidates for the other vacancies.

The third column, socialist, will be vacant; the fourth column will carry the name of John R. Philip, who filed for the Fisher vacancy by petition; the next column will carry only one name, Newton D. Gilmore, who filed for the Fisher vacancy by petition. The last column will be blank and marked "Independent."

The other ballot will carry in the democratic column the names of the five democratic judges of the Superior court, whose terms expire, and the only name appearing in the republican column will be that of Ald. Walter P. Steffen, who also has been endorsed by the democrats as a part of the coalition deal.

### HARRISON HOME-COMING

Former Mayor Will Receive a Great Welcome at Banquet on June 29.

Former Mayor Carter H. Harrison who, with Mrs. Harrison, has been on a tour of the world for more than a year, will be tendered a Welcome Home dinner June 29.

The proposed dinner to Mr. Harrison is non-political in every respect and hundreds of his former political opponents are co-operating in the proposed welcome.

Well, the hold-up men ought to be thanked by the taxpayers' union. Their activities have forced the employment of 1,000 more police and 150 more other public employees to cope with crime.

Aleck Revell, the friend of the people, believes in abolishing property taxes and assessing all incomes for the public revenue. Smart, too easy on landlords.

Among the people who would do a great business if they had horse racing in Chicago would be the pickpockets. They never overlook a bet.

Frank A. Alden, popular president of the Garfield Park State Bank, has been elected president of the Oak Park Central Improvement Association. A better man could not have been selected for the place.

### JUDGE RIGHEIMER WILL FIGHT

Judge Righimer of the County Court will fight the temporary release on writs of habeas corpus of three Fifth ward judges of election, sentenced to jail for contempt of court.

The woman and two men were sentenced after they had refused to explain alleged discrepancies in the primary returns. They are: Mrs. Mae Victor, 809 West Thirty-sixth street, judge of election in the tenth precinct; John J. Cuselik, 3344 South Ashland avenue, judge of election in the twentieth precinct, and Bernard J. O'Neill, 2502 Pershing road, judge of election in the thirty-first precinct. The two men were sentenced to the

county jail for six months each, and Mrs. Victor for two months. Attorneys McInerney and W. W. O'Brien, contending that Judge Righimer was acting without authority, immediately applied for the writs, on which the trio was freed by Judge Hurley.

### TOM CAREY HELPS THE LABOR SITUATION

On Monday officials of local building trades unions gathered in the offices of the Chicago National Life Insurance company, 202 South State street, to discuss the election of a successor to Fred Mader, president of the Chicago Building Trades council.

Mader promised to resign when Thomas Carey, millionaire brick manufacturer, who furnished the \$150,000 bail on which Mader and "Big Tim" Murphy were released from jail Saturday, stipulated that both men sever their official connections with the labor unions. Mader was reluctant, holding that the matter should come up before a meeting of the council, but Carey refused to sign the bond otherwise. If Mader declines he will withdraw from the bend.

"If he refuses to abide by his promise, or allows the building trades council to re-elect him," said Mr. Carey, "I'll surrender him to the sheriff and withdraw as his surety."

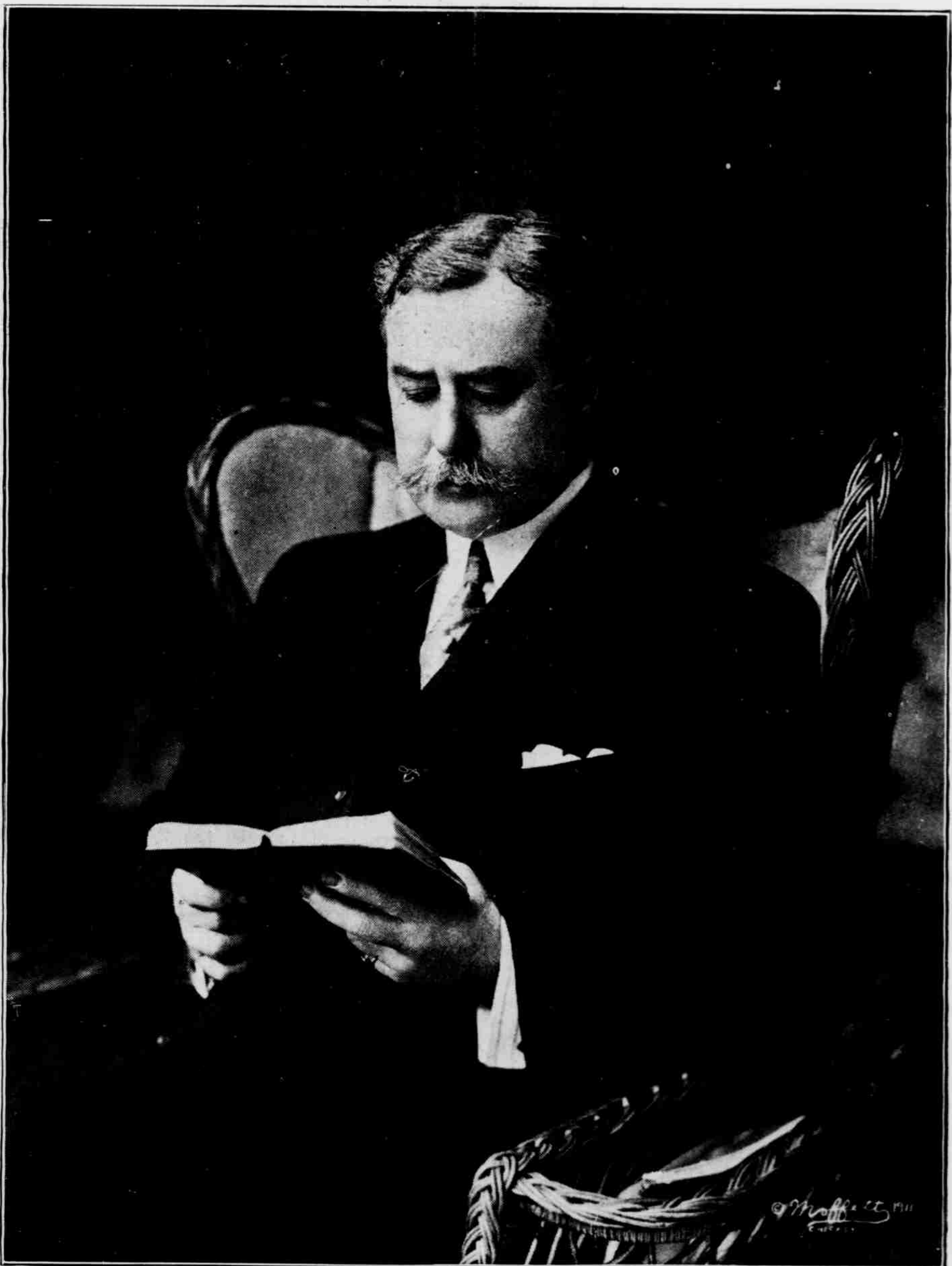
### CAPT. CUNNINGHAM A SURVIVOR OF THE FAMOUS WORLD'S FAIR COLD STORAGE FIRE

Captain James Cunningham of Engine Company 113, located at 4658 Lexington street, is one of the few survivors of perhaps the worst fatality that has occurred in the history of the Chicago Fire Department. The great Cold Storage Warehouse was one of the impressive buildings at the World's Fair of 1893. It was a large frame building, near the heart of the Exposition grounds and in the center of the big structure was a high wooden tower, square in shape, which reached a height of fifty feet above the roof of the main structure. The main building caught fire and when it was wrapped in the flames, which spread rapidly, two companies of firemen were ordered into this tower to play water upon the fire beneath and around them. To the horror of the hundred thousand people looking on, the tower was devoured by the fire as if it were paper. Many of the heroic firemen were burned to death and Captain Cunningham, then a young pipeman on one of the companies in the tower, was among the firemen who were badly injured. His wounds incapacitated him for some time. The Assistant Fire Marshal who ordered the men into the tower was never the same afterwards. Captain Cunningham is one of the most efficient officers of the Chicago Fire Department today—popular with all who know him and always faithful to his duty.

Judge Joseph Sabath has made a record on the Superior Court bench that endears him to the people. He has been just and impartial and has ever shown a native common sense in his judicial acts which has been praised by everybody. He will be re-elected June 5 by a great vote as he deserves to be.

William J. Lindsay, popular able and respected member of the bar, loyal Democrat and good citizen is talked of by his many friends for a judgeship. His qualifications for the position should place him on the bench.

William J. Healy is making a good record as Sanitary Trustee. He would make a good mayor.



CARTER H. HARRISON.  
Former Mayor of Chicago Who Will Be Guest at Welcome Home Dinner June 29.

its postoffice. The result is that every man in it is, and has been, doing ten men's work. Clerks, carriers, everyone have been overtaxed. Some of the carriers travel a route of two miles. The small carrier force covers fifty miles for delivery every day. Notwithstanding these adverse conditions Postmaster Sherrard has won the respect and esteem of the entire community by his constant devotion to the interests of the Oak Park people and his attention to the duties of his office.

Chicago's respectable bookmakers view the pneumatic race track proposition with suspicion.

The re-election of Judge Charles A. McDonald to the Superior bench June 5, will be almost unanimous—A just tribute to a just man.

Tuesday morning to see some unexpected winners for the Superior bench. The Bar association also has warned against apathy.

Another element of danger, it is said, is in the fact that the election comes on Monday. Voters have become so accustomed to elections on Tuesday, it was pointed out, that they are likely to overlook the fact that this is held on a different day and neglect to vote.

Democratic candidates on the coalition ticket are Judges William E. Dever, Martin M. Gridley, Charles A. McDonald, Judge Joseph Sabath and John J. Sullivan. Both Republican and Democratic managers called attention to the fact that all these men made records as jurists of the highest class.

The penitentiary is too good for men who steal school funds.

notified Superintendent Mortenson of the 50 per cent increase in price which would go into effect at that time.

Schools close June 15, a date too late for the teachers to approve the lists, even if the board passes favorably on the superintendent's recommendations at its meeting June 14.

### MONDAY'S JUDICIAL ELECTION

The coalition ticket of Regular Democratic and Regular Republican for Superior Court Judges will have a walk over, on Monday, June 5. It is a good ticket and deserves to be elected from top to bottom.

There will be two ballots. One for Superior Court Judges will